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little neighborhood bars, poor man's country club out of business. And I venture to say there is a good deal of restaurants that would go out of business if they couldn't serve alcohol with their food. Just about everybody I know says beer and pizza. They don't just say milk and pizza. Of course, maybe youngsters do. What if we had a law here that said, only certain farmers are going to be allowed to sell wheat, only certain ones can sell corn because if too many of them sell wheat and corn, it is going to hurt the other farmers and you all know how much money those farmers give to their church and they support the VFW and they support the American Legion. So let's give some farmers a monopoly on selling wheat and corn and oats and barley and all the other things that they raise that I don't know anything about. I would like to ask Senator Hefner if he would yield to a question right now and while he is walking to his chair.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, he will.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I would like to point out also Senator Rupp put out this cute little copy of an article from some newspaper that said Omaha police arrested fifty-one people for gambling, providing gambling facilities and drinking liquor on an unlicensed premises. That is exactly what we are talking about that these people should be licensed. Nobody is talking about unlicensed premises. Once we license them, we can put them out of business if they do these things. Senator Hefner, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR HEFNER: Certainly.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I understand that you own a number of truck stops. Do you sell food at those truck stops?

SENATOR HEFNER: Yes, we do.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Senator Hefner, what if I introduced a bill that says, anybody who gives anybody else money to go to Elroy Hefner's truck stop and buy a hamburger is going to be in violation of the law. You eat that hamburger right